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PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND ANNOTATIONS

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

Addendum

The International Tropical Timber Council, in its decision 1 (S-I) of 30 January 1993, recommended arrangements for the Conference which have been conveyed to the Secretary-General of UNCTAD by the Executive Director of the International Tropical Timber Organization under cover of his letter of 9 February 1993. In accordance with the wishes of the Council, the attached recommendations are presented to the Conference for its consideration.

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INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER COUNCIL

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONFERENCE

INTRODUCTION

These recommendations, agreed by the Council, are presented for consideration by the Conference on the following procedural and administrative matters :

STRUCTURE OF THE CONFERENCE

(i) Executive Committee of the Whole (Main Committee):
- chaired by the President of the Conference supported by the two Vice-Presidents.

The Executive Committee of the Whole will make appropriate arrangements to scrutinize and approve the text of the successor agreement.

(ii) Committee 1 (Economic and Technical):
- to deal with proposals on the Preamble, Objectives, Definitions and Operations (chaired by a nominee of the Consumers).

(iii) Committee 2 (Financial and Administrative) :
- to deal with proposals on Finance, Committees, Relationships with other Organizations, Statistics, Disputes and Final Provisions (chaired by a nominee of the Producers)

(iv) Credentials Committee :
- in accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference "This will comprise five members who shall be appointed by the Conference on the proposal of the President" (chaired by a nominee of the Consumers).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- President and Chairman of the Executive Committee - Producer nominee (Indonesia, H.E. Mr. Wisber Loeis, Deputy Minister, Foreign Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and former Ambassador of Indonesia to the UN Offices in Geneva)
- Vice-President - Consumer nominee (from the European Community)
- Vice-President - Producer nominee (from the Latin American region)
- Chairmen of :
  - Committee 1 (Economic and Technical) - Consumer nominee (Canada, Mr. David K. Boulter, Director, Economic Studies, Forestry Canada and former Chairman of the International Tropical Timber Council, 1992)
  - Committee 2 (Financial and Administrative) - Producer nominee (Gabon, H.E. Mr. Eugene Capito, Minister of Forests, Fisheries and Environment)
  - Credentials Committee - Consumer nominee

ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS (IGOs AND NGOs)

It will be for the Conference to decide on the final admission of NGO and IGO observers. However, to facilitate the process and as a guide to the Conference, the ITTO Secretariat will prepare a list of observers who have so far been admitted to sessions of the International Tropical Timber Council (ITTC). These will be informed of the Conference by the ITTO Secretariat in a circular and advised to apply to the Secretary-General of UNCTAD for participation as observers if they so wish.